

## BOY WONDER HERE

Frank Porter, 14 Years Old,  
Artist-Sculptor, in Topeka.

Assisting Merrill Gage in Modelling  
Lincoln Bust.

## TALENTED AS A MUSICIAN

Wins Honors in Unusual Ability  
and Talent in K. C.

Boy Adopted as an Orphan at  
the Age of 9.

Five years ago Frank Porter of Kansas City was an orphan, without a name, in the state home at Atchison. Today in Topeka, at 14 years, he is assisting Merrill Gage in modeling a bust of Abraham Lincoln which will be placed in the state house. The distinction is the result of talent the boy has shown during his five years residence in Kansas City, as an expert in modelling, drawing and sketching and as a musician of unusual ability.

Five years ago Mrs. Florence Porter went to the orphan's home to adopt a child. Her attention was drawn to Frank, an unusually bright appearing boy, 9 years old. He was only too glad to find a mother.

The boy was taken to Kansas City and his education was begun. He proved to be an apt scholar. But other things aside from the regular school work interested him.

Sewing Machine Inspired.

One evening, running his finger over the carved design of a sewing machine, he said: "Mother, if I had one of those turning sets, I could make that myself."

Mrs. Porter bought the set in the fall. By spring he had cleared \$50 on articles he sold.

While looking over his music reader one evening after school, he complained that he could not understand one part.

Taking him to the piano, Mrs. Porter explained the difficult portion. Soon he was saying it. His interest did not stop there. He wanted more music. Thinking that he must have some talent, he was taken to the conservatory of music to ascertain his ability. He entered in the sixth grade. By spring he had won a medal, a certificate and a pin for practicing. The required time for practice was an hour and a half, but Frank Porter spent four hours at the piano.

Captured Three Ribbons.

About this time the boy's leg was broken in a school accident. He was not able to return for seven months and the time had to be filled in some way. So he began sketching persons around the house. He showed so marked ability that Mrs. Porter entered him as a pupil at the Fine Arts Institute. He was a pupil there six weeks and the end of that time, in an exhibit there in a large class, captured three blue ribbons on his drawings.

However, he could not sketch all the time. He wanted something new to conquer. His adopted mother one day came to the city of Topeka. Frank was not to see it until entirely completed. By the end of the afternoon he had modeled a horse so true to life that Mrs. Porter again sought some authority on his work.

That winter he was given instruction and his work was criticized by a regular sculptor. Finally Frank was enrolled as a pupil in a fine arts institute.

A few weeks ago Mr. Gage went to Kansas City to give the class additional instruction. He became a friend of little Frank Porter. The claim was at work on a model of the portrait of "Heroism." In the final exhibit Frank won second honorable mention.

When asked to leave for Topeka, he invited Frank to visit him. Frank is now assisting in modeling the bust.

## DROWNS IN THE KAW

Noel Falley Loses His Life While  
Swimming in River.

Noel Falley, 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Falley, drowned in the Kaw river near the city waterworks Saturday afternoon. He had been swimming in the river with a group of boys and got into water too deep for him. He was unable to swim more than a few strokes. The body was not recovered until late Sunday morning.

The drowning occurred near the spot where Robert Ward lost his life a month ago. The boys had gone to the river to play. Noel was the only one who did not know how to swim. When Noel disappeared the uncle ran to the home of the boy's father and gave the alarm. Neighbors and friends searched the stream until darkness stopped the work. A net was stretched across the channel near the Rock Island bridge.

The hunt was resumed at daylight Sunday morning and the body was discovered by Samuel and Frank Gallagher, cousins of the boy's father. Dr. O. P. Marcotte, coroner, was called but decided no inquest was necessary. The funeral was held at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon at the home near the waterworks. Interment took place in Prairie Home cemetery.

## MY CHILDREN AND I

MR. R. D. COLLINS, of 221 Jefferson, lineman of the Bell Telephone Co. I must give Hazlett's Wild Cherry Compound credit. I have not had a night's rest in months due to my children's disturbing me. My four children have always been unable to control their kidneys while asleep. We are all now sleeping peacefully and are disturbed. Hazlett's Wild Cherry certainly has given us great relief. I think it is truly a great medicine for constipation, kidney troubles, for child or adult. You no doubt will receive the same wonderful results if you will only give the crude herbs a trial as Mr. Collins and his children. Strange it may seem to you, all are pleased that try this compound. A. C. Klingaman & Co., 129 E. 4th St., will sell a small amount of the packages for one dollar, same will be mailed you. You will be pleased with your judgment if you will investigate.

—ADV.

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15.75 Buffet ..... 11.95

22.75 Buffet ..... 17.75

27.50 Buffet ..... 21.50

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23.50 Closet ..... 12.95

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22.75 Closet ..... 19.75

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35.50 Closet ..... 31.50

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\$12.50 Table ..... \$10.75

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